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La Peña Cultural Center

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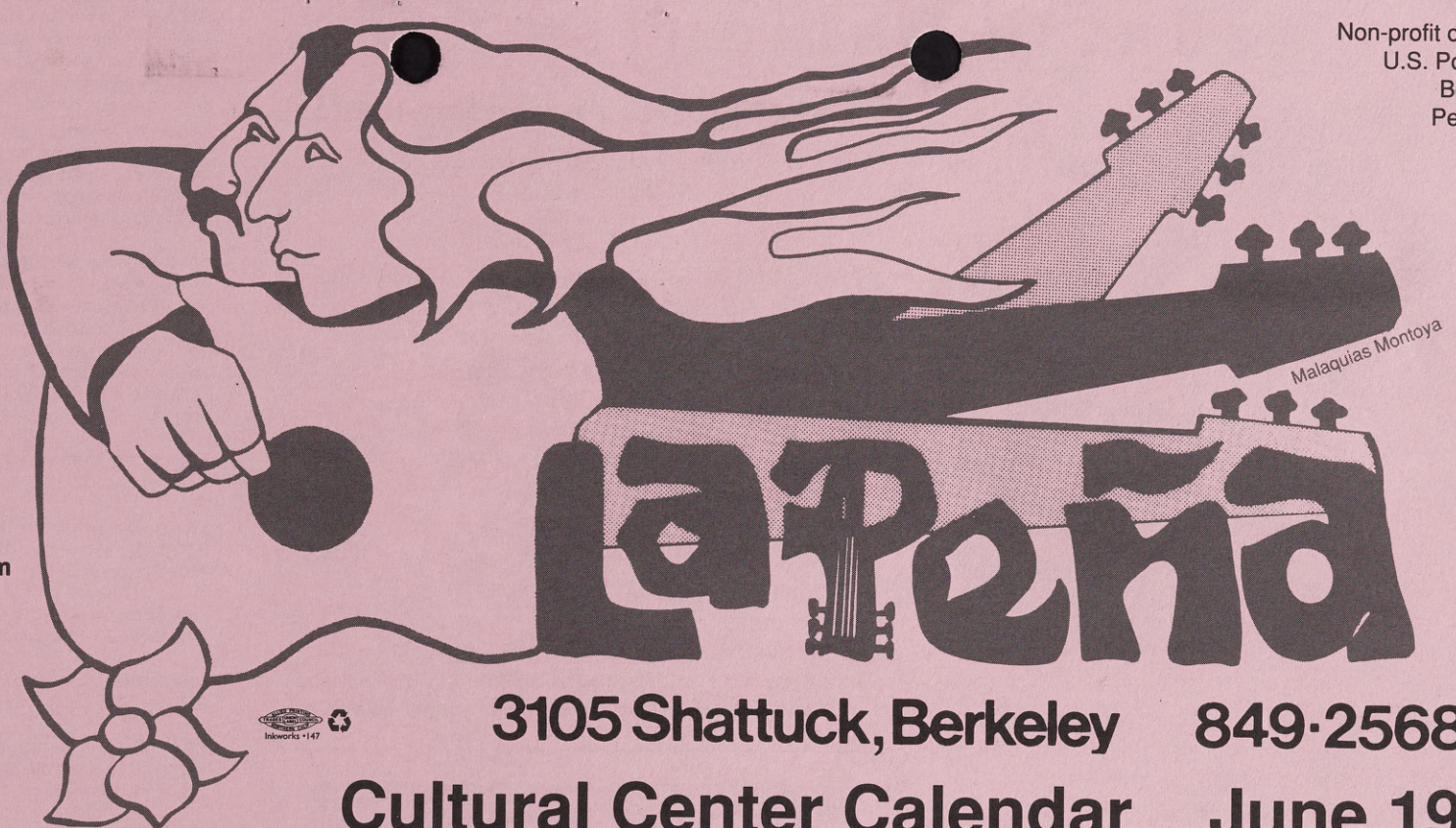
La Tienda Gift Shop

Tues. 12 - 5pm
Wed. & Thurs. 12 - 8pm
Fri. & Sat. 12 - 9pm
(510) 849-2215 (new number!)

Café de la Paz

Open for dinner everyday from 5pm
Open for lunch Wed. Thur. & Fri.
(510) 843-0662

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(La Peña discount cards) not valid.
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La Peña is wheelchair accessible.



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3105 Shattuck, Berkeley 849-2568 Cultural Center Calendar June 1992

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DOM - SUN

7 CONCERT
Cabanil Coco Folklorico directed by Anthony Carrillo performs folkloric music and dance from Cuba and Puerto Rico. They will play *palo, bata, rumba, plena* and *bomba* rhythms. **8pm \$7**

14 FILM
Grupo Peru presents Peruvian director Francisco Lombardi's film "Boca del Lobo" in which a young Lima army recruit is sent to a rural outpost to combat the insurgent movement Sendero Luminoso. He discovers the military's brutal indiscriminate abuse of peasants when a peasant wedding party is massacred. Based on a true incident in 1983. A discussion of the current situation in Peru will follow. **7:30pm \$5-8***

21 BENEFIT EVENT
Celebrate the summer solstice and help provide alternative health care to poor women with cancer. Readings by women authors, and dance music by **Cafia Brava**, the Bay Area's new all-woman salsa band. Proceeds benefit La Clínica "Salud para la Gente" in Watsonville and the Charlotte Maxwell Clinic in Oakland. **7:30pm \$8-15***

28 POETRY & STORYTELLING
Black Poets with Attitudes
Five women poets who sizzle, snap, and pop through verses that will soothe your soul, excite your hormones, rub your ego, and leave you hungry for more. Featured are Joy Holland, Wanda Sabir, Avotcja, Beverly Garrett, and Abimbola Adama. **7pm \$7**
Community Room: Andean food tasting and cookbook signing 7pm \$2-4 (see back for details)

LUN - MON

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MAR - TUE

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Café de la Paz open from 5pm.

16 BENEFIT
International Indian Treaty Council monthly benefit event. For more information and details regarding this evening's event, call 566-0251. **7:30pm donation ***

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Café de la Paz open from 5pm.

MIER - WED

3 VIDEO
"Cuba 1992: Weathering the Storm"

The Venceremos Brigade's 23rd Contingent - fresh from Cuba - reports on current conditions: the economy, youth, women, health, education, labor, international relations, human rights, democracy and social justice. Sponsored by the Venceremos Brigade **7:30pm \$3-5***

10 VIDEO & PANEL DISCUSSION

"Living with AIDS in Cuba" - exclusive video documentary giving a firsthand look at Cuba's AIDS policy. A panel of health experts and AIDS activists with direct experience of Cuba's health system will be on hand. Sponsored by the Venceremos Brigade **7:30pm \$3-5***

17 CONCERT
Guitarist-singer-songwriter **Chic Street Man**, composer and critically acclaimed "guitar man" for George C. Wolfe's *Spunk*, performs his own inimitable music. He'll sing and play everything from urban folk music and acoustic funk to classical blues and jazz. His lyrics focus on the positive alternatives while entertaining in a spirited manner. **7:30pm \$7**

24 BENEFIT
The Aché Series

A monthly event showcasing Black, gay and lesbian culture through film/video and live performance. Program to be announced. **7:30pm Donation**

JUEV-THURS

4 CONCERT
Noche Llanera
Colombiana-Venezolana

Colombian harpist **Javier Montoya** will be joined by Venezuelan musicians Jackeline Rago and Erika Luckett in an evening of music from the plains of Colombia and Venezuela, including cumbias and merengues. **8pm \$6**

11 UPDATE

Political Reconstruction and its Effects on Health
A panel of speakers featuring: Holbrook Teter, LCSW, speaking on Chernobyl; David Levinson, MD on Iraq; Jim Quesada PhD candidate on Nicaragua; Loren Krane, PhD on China; Ellen Moore, MSW on El Salvador. Sponsored by CHRICA **7:30pm \$4-6***

18 UPDATE
Brazil's Environment
Slide presentation by Leonard Sklar (Research Director for International Rivers Network) on Brazil's threatened rivers and the popular movement for environmental justice. Plus, a report back from the UN Conference on Environment & Development (aka: Earth Summit) by activists and journalists who participated in the meeting. **7:30pm \$5***

25 CONCERT
Anzanga Marimba & Dance Ensemble on Tour from Seattle
Anzanga plays traditional and contemporary marimba music from Zimbabwe, Mozambique, South Africa and Gambia, plus original compositions in the African mode as well as performing African dances to the rhythms of traditional drums. Listen and dance! **8pm \$7**

VIER - FRI

5 DJ DANCE
Same Sex
Mostly Motown Dance

Queers, straights and bis encouraged to come and dance with the same sex with World Beat and House DJ José Ruiz. Sponsored by Queer Caucus of La Peña Volunteers. **9pm \$4-8**

12 CONCERT

Singer-songwriter **Melanie DeMore** along with **India Cooke, Erika Luckett, Jean Millington, Jackeline Rago, and Mary Watkins** will perform this evening as a fundraiser for Melanie's new upcoming recording. Melanie with this exciting line up of artists will perform a number of new songs which will be released on the recording. **8:30pm \$8 adv./\$9 day of show**

19 FLAMENCO

¡Flamenco Vivo! returns to La Peña for a sizzling evening of flamenco dance, song, and music. Featuring dancer Sarita Ayala, singer-dancer Roberto Zamora, guitarist David Gutierrez and others. Plus, special guest Lourdes Rodriguez. **8:30pm \$10**
Box office opens at 7:15pm
Adv. tickets at La Tienda thru June 18.

26 CONCERT

Monica Grant and Teresa Chandler
Kick off Gay Pride Weekend with two wild and wacky women! These two singer/songwriter/comediennes present an evening of sizzling blues featuring special guests Tracy Stark on piano, Janet "Jake" Lampert on drums, Mary Burnley on bass, Mahala Burns on vocals. **8:30pm \$7-10**

SAB - SAT

6 Sat. Morning Kids Show (see box below)

¡Sábados Bailables!
Salsa dance lessons **7-8:30 \$5**

Salsa Dance with **Benny Velarde Supercombo** **9:30pm \$8**

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Salsa dance lessons 7-8:30 \$5

A hot new Cuban dance group **Sonora Caribeña** directed by Fito Reynoso **9:30pm \$8**

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Celebrate La Peña Day!
12-6pm
Music, Dance, Food
(See box below for details)

Dance with **Dr. Loco's Rockin Jalapeño Band** **9:30pm \$8**

27 Salsa dance lessons 7-8:30 \$5

Salsa Dance with **KPFA & KUSF DJ Luis Medina** **salsa, onda cubana, merengue, mambo y más!**

9:30 pm \$6

Saturday Morning Children's Programs

All programs begin at 10:30am • Adults \$3/ Kids \$2

June 6: Amiguitos de la Peña present L'eau Tech Theatre. Russian folktales and music and signed.

June 13: Amiguitos Special Good-Bye Fiesta for Nancy Raven who's moving. A thank you to California Arts Council artist and founder of Amiguitos de la Peña with **Lichi Fuentes, Bonnie Lockhart, Alisa Peres, Jackeline Rago, Ranger Tim Gordon of Tilden Park**, and of course **Nancy Raven**. Music and storytelling. Benefit for future Amiguitos programs at La Peña.

Cafe de La Paz Event

Benefit dinner for political prisoner Geronimo (Pratt) Ji Jaga

Sponsored by the International Committee to Free Geronimo Pratt • Call 510 268-0979 for reservations

Sun • June 14 • 3-6pm • \$10

There is no True Peace without Justice

"We must either learn to live together as brothers or we are all going to perish together as fools." — Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

We have heard calls for peace, for an end to the killings, beatings, rioting, looting precipitated by the acquittal of the LA police officers who delivered the ruthless blows to Rodney King. But how can there be any true peace in this nation if we allow the brutality employed by our so-called peace officers against people of color and promote public murder in our name? How can we have tranquility in our communities when over the past decade of Reagan/Bush cutbacks we have seen the dramatic erosion of the quality of our schools, our hospitals and clinics, of vital social services for the poor and unemployed? How is there to be an end to looting when we allow the architects of the savings and loan heists to plunder the life savings of retirees and then agree to pay for these crimes?

There can be no peace unless all peoples work together to fight for the civil rights of everyone because the loss of rights for one opens the door to the loss of rights for all. There is a coalition of groups organizing to address these issues in our community. For information on how to get involved, call Oakland Community Partnership (510) 251-6344.



Celebrate La Peña's 17th Anniversary on Saturday • June 20 • noon to 1am

Come and celebrate La Peña's 17 years of cultural activism! On **Saturday, June 20**, La Peña will host an indoor-outdoor, day and night birthday party with a children's program, music, dance, balloons, face painting, food, and fun. Come meet up with old friends and make new ones! Day program \$2 adults/ \$1 kids • Evening dance \$8

12:00 - 1:30 Children's Program
1:30 - 6:00 Music and dance performances by **La Peña Community Chorus** (Latin American new song) • **Street Sounds** (gospel, r&b) • **Karumanta** (Andean music) • **Aire de Sevilla** (flamenco dance & music) • **Araucaria** (Chilean folk dance) • **Charanga, Tumbao y Cuerdas** (Afro-Cuban dance music) with MCs **Chuy Varela** of KPFA and storyteller extraordinaire **Belinda Sullivan**
9:30 Dance party with **Dr. Loco's Rockin' Jalapeño Band**

JUNE HIGHLIGHTS



photo by Irene Young

Melanie DeMore • June 12 • 8:30pm

"Hard as obsidian", "sweet as chocolate", "round as a water drop" are some expressions used to describe the big, soft sound of Melanie DeMore. When her voice reaches out, something touches the heart of her audience, taking her listeners deep inside themselves to where their spirit lives.



photo by Jay Thompson

Chic Street Man • June 17 • 7:30pm

Chic's music transcends cultural and attitudinal barriers, and yet is soulful and full of wit and humor. His travels at home and abroad give him an opportunity to function as a goodwill ambassador whose message of realistic optimism delights as well as inspires his audiences.



Anganza • June 25 • 8pm

"Anzanga", which means "to our friends", draws its name and its music from the rich cultural heritage of Africa. Wherever Anzanga Marimba Ensemble has played, audiences have been lifted to their feet to join in a dance that celebrates the joy of life...a dance as old as humanity itself.

La Peña's 17th Anniversary Raffle

Buy raffle tickets and support La Peña!
\$1 each or 6 for \$5

Prizes include:

- A weekend for two at a country inn in Napa plus lunch at Tra Vigne from Trips Out Travel
- \$75 gift certificate from Moe's Books
- Passes to Berkeley Repertory Theater
- \$50 gift certificate from Bill's Trading Post
- \$40 gift certificate to 4th Street Grill
- Microlite anorak from Sierra Designs
- \$30 hair cut from Head Designs
- \$25 gift certificate from La Tienda
- \$25 gift certificate from Black Oak Books
- Two Latin Percussion instruments and more!

Tickets available at all La Peña programs, at La Tienda, by mail, and through La Peña volunteers and chorus members. Drawing held at midnight Sat. June 20, 1992



New at La Tienda

• **Recordings:** Many new CDs from Cuba: Malena Burke y NG • Conjunto Son 14 y Sigue El Son • Chappottín y sus Estrellas • Celeste Mendoza • Carlos Puebla • Los Van Van de Cuba • Omara Portuonda: Soy Cubana • Orquesta Revé y su Charangón • Pio Leyva y Grupo Los Kimbos. Plus from Puerto Rico, Roy Brown's Nocturno

• **Songbooks:** Salsa Con Fania All Stars • Merengue, Samba, Rumba, Soca • Método Completo de Cuatro • Cancionero: Canciones de Protesta, edited by José Luis Orozco

• **Other Books:** Salsa Crónica de La Música del Caribe Urbano • Latin Beat Music Magazine • Buried Mirror: Reflections on Spain and the New World by Carlos Fuentes • Jazz by Toni Morrison • De Amor Oscuro /Of Dark Love by Francisco Alarcón • Rethinking Columbus - School curriculum material • Voices from a "Promised Land" by Penny Rosenwasser

The Paul Dresher Ensemble Presents

SLOW FIRE

"A. masterpiece" - San Francisco Chronicle
with Rinde Eckert

Friday & Saturday, June 19 & 20, 8:30 pm

&

The San Francisco Premiere of Rinde Eckert's

The Gardening of Thomas D.

Written by Rinde Eckert
Performed by Rinde Eckert
and Ellie Klopp

Thursday - Sunday, June 25 - 28, 8:30 pm

\$2 discount on tickets purchased by June 18
\$30 two-show combined ticket price
\$16 Thursday & Sunday; \$18 Friday & Saturday
Cowell theater, Fort Mason Center, Pier 2
Charge by phone (415)392-4400

Since 1975, more than 350 community groups have used our facilities. The use of our space by these organizations does not mean that La Peña endorses the views presented. La Peña feels that it is important to help stimulate an environment conducive to discussion and understanding among different peoples.

Classes & Workshops

La Peña is proud to offer free Latin American music workshops sponsored by and the California Arts Council Artist-in-Residence Program and La Peña. Enrollment in all classes is limited. Permission from instructor is required to enroll in classes. For more information, call Sylvia at 849-2572, M-F, 1 - 5 pm.

Special Summer Kids Class with Jackeline Rago

An 8-week series starting on Monday June 1st with a performance on August 1st. Kids will learn songs in Spanish and play hand percussion instruments.

Ages 4 - 5: Mondays 3:00 - 3:45 pm

Ages 6 - 8: Mondays 4:00 - 5:00 pm

Register soon. Space limited to 10 students per class. (New students will be given preference.) You must register in person. Registration day will be May 27 from 12 - 5 pm. Late registration will be June 1st during scheduled class time.

• Introduction to Venezuelan Cuatro

(Tuesday, 6:00 - 7:30 pm) Instructor: Jackeline Rago. Free

Intermediate Venezuelan Cuatro (Technique)

(continuing students only) (Tuesday, 7:30 - 9:30 pm) Closed
Instructor: Jackeline Rago. Free

• Introduction to Afro-Cuban Rhythms

(Thursday, 5:30 - 7:30 pm) Instructor: Guillermo Céspedes. Free

• Intermediate Afro-Venezuelan Percussion

(Monday, 5:30 - 7:30 pm) Instructor: Jackeline Rago. Free

• Advanced Afro-Venezuelan Percussion Ensemble

(continuing students only) (Monday, 7:30-9:30pm)
Instructor: Jackeline Rago. Free

• New Workshop! Venezuelan Performing Ensemble

Beginning Wednesday, Mar. 11 (Wednesday 5:30-7:30 pm)
(by permission of instructor). Instructor: Jackeline Rago. Free

• Cuban Music Ensemble Playing

(new students by permission of instructor) (Monday, 5 - 10 pm)
Instructor: Guillermo Céspedes. Free

• **Montuno, Tumbao, Martillo y Clave** open to bongo players, pianists, bassists and other instrumentalists interested in basics of ensemble playing. (every other Tuesday, 4:30 - 6 pm)
Instructor: Guillermo Céspedes. Free

• Latin American Chorus

(basses and tenors needed) (Tuesday, 8-10 pm) Open.
Instructor: Rafael Manríquez. Free

• Latin American String Ensemble of Chorus

(continuing student only) (Tuesday, 6-7 pm)
Instructor: Rafael Manríquez. Free

• Beginning Latin American Guitar Styles

(continuing students only) (Thursday, 7:30pm-8:30 pm)
Instructor: Rafael Manríquez. Free

• Intermediate Latin American Guitar

(Thursday, 8:30-9:30 pm) Instructor Rafael Manríquez. Free

• Advanced Latin American Guitar

(Thursday, 9:30-10:30 pm) Instructor: Rafael Manríquez. Free

• Salsa and Afro-Cuban Dance (note new time!)

Salsa dance lessons with Linda Arizona. and Jesus Díaz
Sat. 7-8:30pm \$5 (and receive a \$2 discount at Saturday dances)

• Brazilian Dance

Learn Brazilian dance (Samba, Frevo, Afro-Brazilian) with Elvira Cola, Artistic Director of Mexe-Mexe. Sundays 12:00-1:30pm.
Fee: \$7/class, \$30/5 classes
For more information call 510-525-2574

• Brazilian Guitar

Bossa nova and samba. Enjoy Brazilian rhythms with Brazilian guitar instructor, Mauro Correa. Fridays 6-7pm Fee requested. For more info. call 652-2008. All levels accepted.

Bay Area Anti-Apartheid Network

The Bay Area Anti-Apartheid Network meets regularly on the second Saturday of each month from 10am to 1pm in La Peña's Community Meeting Room.

ANDEAN FOOD TASTING

Food tasting of traditional Andean foods. Book signing for Comidas del Ecuador by Michelle Freed who will speak about her process of discovering century-old recipes in tiny villages in Ecuador. Ms. Freed has lived in Ecuador for 19 years. \$2-4 donation. Sponsored by La Tienda
June 28 • 7pm Community Room of La Peña

Volunteers Needed!

La Peña needs volunteers who are skilled in sound engineering for live concerts, running audio-visual and lighting equipment, or have general stage production experience. Also, retail clerk volunteers for our store, La Tienda. If interested, call Vanessa at 510-849-2572.

Ad Space Available

La Peña's calendar reaches people who are concerned about global social justice issues and support diversity in all aspects of life. Ad space limited to not-for profit activities. Cost: \$30 column inch.

CHILDREN OF INTERCULTURAL FAMILIES

Do you know a 13-18 year-old with one Latino and one White parent?

Researchers at the University of California-Berkeley would like to interview teenagers and their parents. (Families with divorced parents are welcome).

For participation or information: Juanita Dimas, M.A.,
2205 Tolman Hall, UC-B Berkeley, CA 94720
(510) 642-2055

\$5.00 As a thank you to the teenagers.

La Peña is a multicultural center open seven nights a week for concerts, films, dances, classes, and grassroots fundraising events. Since 1975, La Peña has relied on support from the community in the form of volunteer work and contributions. Without this support we could not exist. La Peña is a non-profit, tax-exempt organization. We urge everyone who appreciates our programs to make a donation to help La Peña continue its work as a center of progressive culture. **¡Que viva La Peña!**

☐ Enclosed is my tax-deductible donation of \$_____ to support La Peña's 17th Anniversary!

☐ Please send me the calendar of events for one year (\$2 minimum donation, actual cost to La Peña is \$5)

☐ I would like to become a La Peña bill-of-the-month supporter.

Enclosed is my first monthly pledge of \$_____ (minimum monthly pledge \$5)

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

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